

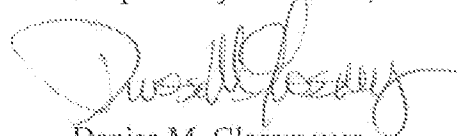
REMARKS

Upon entry of this amendment claims 4-9, 19 and 21-23 remain in the application. Claims 1-3, 10-18, 20, and 24-27 have been cancelled; claims 1-3, 10-18, and 24-27 have been cancelled by the present action. Claims 5, 6, 7 and 9 have been amended by this action to depend from allowed claim 4.

Entry pursuant to 37 CFR 1.116 is sought in this response. It is submitted that by this amendment claims 4-9, 19, and 21-23 are in a condition suitable for allowance. Previously rejected claims 5-8 have been amended to depend from allowed claim 4. Rejected claims 1-3, 10-18 and 24-27 have been cancelled by this action. The Applicant wishes to resolve the above-captioned matter but reserves the right to pursue the subject matter of cancelled claims in a future continuation application.

Thus it is submitted that the Applicant's invention as set forth in claims 4-9, 19 and 21-23 is in a condition suitable for allowance. A Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested. In the event that the Examiner concludes that Allowance and/or disposition of this matter could be facilitated by contacting the Applicant's attorney, the Examiner is invited to do so at the address listed below.

Respectfully submitted,



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